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CVCA Board Meetings are held monthly online – if you'd like a copy of the agenda or minutes, or if you'd like to log in to attend a meeting, contact any Board member for info. We'd love to see you at a meeting!

2022 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 13th 7:00 pm: Webinar: CAA Events Spotlighting The Traditional Day of Driving with Jill Ryder, CAA

February 12th: Hay – It's What's for Dinner 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. - Forage Analysis with Carol Buckhout and Wendy Soucy, Cazenovia College Equine Center

March 12th: General Membership Meeting 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. - The Carriages and History of the Lorenzo Carriage Collection, Visitor/Education Center Lorenzo State Historic Site, Cazenovia

April 2022: Intro to Driving Workshop

May 8th:Bruce Haak Memorial drive Chenango Valley State Park

May 13 - 15th: Robin Groves Clinic, Cazenovia College Equine Center

June 4th: Novice Clinic, Sheffield Farm

July 10th: Lorenzo Driving Competition Work-Day & Summer Picnic

July 15 - 17th: Lorenzo Driving Competition

August 20th: Sheffield Farm Pleasure Drive and Fun Day (rain date 8/22)

September 17th: Sadoff Davies Pleasure Drive : (rain date 9/18)

October 2022 pleasure drive :Sears Family Cazenovia

November 12th Annual General Membership Meeting

Upcoming Events



Sadoff -Davies
Pleasure Drive

Saturday Sept 17th,2022
9am

A staple of the Cherry Valley Drives!, read on for all the details!

See you there!

President's Letter

Wow! August and time to look ahead to so many drives without pesky bugs!

CVCA members joined the Lorenzo Driving Competition (LDC) board and staff for a combination picnic and work day on the grounds at Lorenzo on July 10th. We filled competitor packets with lots of goodies, cleaned equipment used on the cones courses and even did a bit of trimming and marking trails for the Friday and Sunday morning drives! Work went quickly and we all enjoyed our byo picnic lunches with drinks and dessert provided by CVCA. If you are looking for a new cookie recipe, Karen Leach has a couple of winners!

Many of our members could be seen showing as well as in some behind the scenes roles volunteering or grooming for a fellow CVCA member. We are the backbone of LDC! A huge shout out to the LDC board and show committee for another wonderful weekend of horses, carriages and fun competitors! Winners of the CVCA Ladies to Drive award was Teresa Jackson and Steve Simon was awarded the CVCA Gentleman to Drive award. Congratulations to them both as well as many other CVCA members on their many successes in the show ring!

The Sheffield Farm Pleasure Drive and Fun Day is fresh on our minds as it took place just a few days ago. A hot weekend with threats of thunder showers didn't dampen spirits. With a huge turnout of drivers and a few out riders enjoying well marked trails, a fun obstacle course and plenty of opportunities for jazzing things up and having fun! A huge thank you to our hosts, Sue and Jan Suwinski and event organizer extraordinaire, Judy Sobczak for an event folks will be talking about for months to come!

We have two more pleasure drives planned September 17 and October 1. Full details on both drives our in this issue. See you there!

Our CVCA annual meeting will be at a new location this year! The Lincklaen House in Cazenovia is the 2022 venue. Another change, brunch will be served! Watch the October issue for more information and the reservation form. Sadly, Carol Buckhout will be leaving the CVCA board after 6 years of service. We are looking for a new member of our board. Volunteers welcome!

Anyone interested in helping plan an upcoming event? Let me know, extra hands and ideas are always welcome!

Judy

Sadoff/Davies Drive

Sept 17 (rain date 18), 4209 Putnam Rd, Cazenovia NY 13035.

- Parking for trucks & trailers next door across the road.
- Arrival 10ish w/social time coffee & donuts (in memory of Terri Mather).
- Participants begin to depart along marked trail around 11:00 am. The trail is approx 5 miles; includes perimeters of crop fields, tractor lane, graded woodland stretch, possible wet spots depending on rainfall (not deep).
- Trail completion approximately 1:00 pm. Covered dish luncheon to follow. Plates, plastic utensils, cold beverages, napkins provided. Don't forget utensils for your dishto-pass. Electric outlets available. Port-a-Pottie in parking area.
- Don't hesitate to call a day ahead or email w/questions. Kevin & I currently DO NOT CARRY CELL PHONES. Our landline phone is 315-655-3298. kevson.dav@yahoo.com.

We look forward to seeing all of you. Please come even if you're not bringing horses or ponies to ride or drive.

Kevin & Sonia

Sears Family Homestead Pleasure Drive

October 1, 2022 (rain date 10/2)

Come and enjoy the beauty of fall and the best views of Cazenovia and Nelson to be found! We will start the day with coffee, donuts and conversation in usual CVCA style! Then hitch up drive at will while you wind your way up the hillside enjoying the scenic landscapes along the way! We will enjoy a bring your own picnic lunch with beverages and desserts provided by CVCA. Have a safe trip home!



Our Host – Judy Sears



Schedule

Arrive - 9:30 am

Drive - 10 - Noon

Lunch - 12:30 pm

Good-byes - 2 pm

CVCA Lorenzo Driving Competition Workday and Summer Picnic

Submitted by: Carol Ilacqua

On Sunday, July 10th a crew of very hard-working CVCA members rolled up their sleeves and got to work washing and polishing and stuffing and sweeping and clipping and trimming and.... had a grand old time!

Thirteen CVCA members joined forces with the Lorenzo Historic Site crew to prepare the items needed to help make the show go on! The group divided itself into work crews to divide and conquer the work. One crew got busy with hoses and sponges to clean the year's dust from the many rails, cones and other "props" needed to create cones and obstacle courses. A second crew set up an assembly line in South Cottage to stuff competitor bags with all sorts of goodies and to polish the trophies awarded each year. And yet a third crew was off to the woods to help trim the pleasure drive course.

The crews were so efficient, that there was time left over to clean out the show's shed. Show shed? Yes, show shed. It is full of signs and banners, totes crammed with show paraphernalia, course obstacle items, a large wooden kiosk, an untold number of trail markers and miscellany of every stripe, not to mention an accumulation of pinecones literally squirreled away by the, ahem, squirrels! The shed's items were lugged outside, the shed was completely swept and cleaned, and then all items were placed back into the shed. Whew!

By noon, the members had finished the morning's tasks and gathered for a bring-your-own lunch picnic in the shade. Members brought desserts to share, and the club provided drinks and snacks. The Board of the LDC sends its extreme gratitude to CVCA for supporting the show with its members' elbow grease.



SHEFFIELD FARM PLEASURE DRIVE AND FUN DAY

Submitted by: Judy Sobczak

On Saturday August 20, the day began warm and sunny. The "Big Easy" had "arrived" at Sheffield Farm! Finally! It was necessary to cancel this event in 2021, due to weather issues. The theme for this year's event: "Mardi Gras". There were beads galore, and New Orleans style Jazz music playing in the background all day long. In a word, the stage was "set" for a fun day. Traditional Mardi Gras colors of gold, green and purple were all around. Like at past fun days, the day began with hot beverages, doughnuts and conversation. At approximately 10:15'ish, everyone began to head out on the 4 ½ mile course that had been expertly mowed and marked by farm owner Jan Suwinski. Due to the dry weather leading up to this event, the ever popular "water splash" wasn't included in the course. With the pleasure drive course being totally off road and flat, this drive is a favorite of many. It was suggested that all who did the pleasure drive to not rush. Just take the time to enjoy being outside, enjoy the view and enjoy being with their equine partner. Many smiles and positive comments were seen and heard following everyone's return from the drive. It is always wonderful to hear, when lots of work goes into planning and preparing. Once horses and ponies were unhitched and safely settled eating hay and resting, everyone gathered for a dish to pass lunch. I've said this before and I'll say it again: CVCA members are awesome cooks! (Perhaps a fund raising idea...a CVCA cookbook, in the future??). In keeping with the theme of the day, the main meat dish provided by the club was Jambalaya. There wasn't much left after lunch, so I guess it was a hit! Once most everyone was done with eating their first helping of food, door prizes were given away. Also, a Mardi Gras trivia game was played, as well as an observation game. Once everyone was finished eating, door prizes given out and trivia game finished, it was time to begin the afternoon contests. First event of the afternoon: a costume contest, based on the Mardi Gras theme. Some great costumes were put together by the entrants. First prize was awarded to (new member) Kristin Gutosky. Also on the afternoon games schedule: a cones course, as well as an obstacle/hazard course. Both were timed events. Copies of both courses were handed out to anyone interested in participating. Everyone had a chance to walk both courses ahead of time, in order to plan strategy, and ask questions. The first event: "The Fastest Way to Bourbon Street" Scurry. Everyone had a clear round, meaning no balls were knocked down. There were 12 sets of cones in this class. The winner: Joanne Frechette with a blazing time of: 54:87. Next up: "Welcome to the French Quarter" obstacle class. This was a tricky course, with barrels as well as cones to maneuver through. Coming in first was Sharon Baum, with the winning time of: 57:25. Wow, can Munch move out!

It is a pleasure to plan for this event every year. It is wonderful to welcome CVCA members to Sheffield Farm. Thanks to the following people who had a hand in making the day the success that it was: owners of Sheffield Farm: Jan and Sue Suwinski. They also donated the coffee and doughnuts. To Jan Suwinski, for his many hours of sitting on the tractor seat mowing the fields and woodland paths in preparation for the pleasure drive. He also spent time planning out, then marking the pleasure drive course. Ryan Saul, for helping with clean-up in the woods and around the barns, to "spiff" things up. Ryan also helped with parking on Saturday morning. Sue Sheffer: helped with setting up the cones and obstacle courses, as well as being the "official" timer for the games. Many businesses and individuals were very generous in donating great items to be used as door prizes, as well as first place awards to the winners of the contested contests. The following donated items: Wendy Soucy, Triple Crown feeds; Chrissy, Ithaca Agway; Lorenzo Driving Competition; Sue Sheffer; Jill Ryder from the Carriage Association of America and the CVCA. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Before the dust even settled on this year's pleasure drive, the theme for the 2023 Fun Day was already chosen. In July of 2023, it will be announced what the theme is. So, stay tuned....



Members Out & About

The weekend of July 30 & 31 2022 were the dates of the First Annual Avon Driving Park driving show. It is hoped that this new show will have a long running history. Several members of the CVCA competed and ended up doing very well. Many receiving divisional championships, as well as reserve championships. A lovely location for a show, that was very easy to get to. The show committee received much support and encouragement from the town of Avon and associated agencies, as well as the fire and police departments. Be sure to mark July 29-30 on your 2023 show calendar! The following CVCA members competed: Tom Frechette, Shelia Mueller, Teresa Jackson, Sharon Baum, Susan Sheffer and Judy Sobczak. Debbie North was show announcer. CVCA members also volunteered and came to spectate. Tom Frechette was chosen to have the Mayor of Avon, Mr. Thomas Freeman ride as a passenger during the Sunday morning Presentation drive.



Whip, Tom Frechette and Snack, with Avon Mayor, Thomas Freeman

DRIVING EVENTS FOR 2022

Theres still more!

If any CVCA member knows of other events that haven't been included, for the remainder of 2022,please let either Judy Sobczak: jes41@cornell.edu or Donna Sharkey: aulexaron@aol.com know. Thanks!

Robin Groves Clinic at Double M Farms, Greene NY September 9th-11th

Contact JoAnne Frechette at 607-692-2209 or ponydriver2004@hotmail.com

Western New York Combined Carriage Association: (WNYCCA) www.wnycca.org.

October 30: ECHO Spooktacular, Judson's Farm

September 23-25: NERFD: North East Region Fun Drive, Mystic Mountain Campgrounds, Moravia, NY

Barneveld Horsemen's Association: (www.bhahorse.com)

September 25: Pleasure Driving show

Saratoga Driving Club: (www.saratogadriving.com) October 1-2: CT/DT, Orleton Farm, Massachusetts



2022 CVCA Raffle

Contains: Lands' End embroidered tote, CVCA monogrammed fleece throw/lap robe, horseshoe rack, brass horseshoe door knocker, two bottles of wine, wine carrier, two embroidered driving sweatshirts, CVCA mug and hat, and more!

Tickets are \$1 each • 6 tickets for \$5 • 12 tickets for \$10

Tickets can be purchased at the Late Summer/Fall Pleasure Drives, November Meeting or from any CVCA Board Member!

Cash or check made out to CVCA

Winner will be drawn at the Annual Meeting on November 12th

Don't miss out!



Get yours ordered Today!



Name	Phone
Total \$	Cash or check only, no Debit or Credit Cards

Item Name	ITEM	COST			
Hoody	4997M	\$32.00			
Long Sleeve T	PC61LS	\$20.00			
Ladies T	LPC61	\$18.00			
Regular T	PC61	\$18.00			
V-Neck Ladies T	LPC450V	\$18.00			
Crew Sweatshirt	4662M	\$25.00			
Polo Men's	K8000	\$25.00			
Polo Ladies	LK8000	\$25.00			

Add \$3.00 for plus sizes

Item Name	ITEM	COLOR	XS	S	M	LRG	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Hoody	4997M									
Long Sleeve T	PC61LS									
Ladies T	LPC61									
Regular T	PC61									
V-Neck Ladies T	LPC450V									
Crew Sweatshirt	4662M									
Polo Men's	K8000									
Polo Ladies	LK8000									

Color Choice - Maroon or Navy
Logo Placement - F = front (large logo); B = back (large logo); or LC = left chest (small logo)
add F, B or LC in the color box

Make checks payable to CVCA and mail to Gloria Waro, 2415 Co Hwy 11, Mt. Vision, NY 13810 Feel free to call 607.293.8087 or email mommadukes3089@gmail.com with questions



Hitching Up



FOR SALE: Multiple items.

- 1) Pair pony trace carriers. Russet and brass. 52" in length. Like new.\$195.00.
- 2) Driving harness. Amish made. Black leather, with brass and patent leather. Would fit large pony. Contact me for measurements. Would make a perfect first harness for someone, or just an everyday working harness. With a bit more elbow grease, this harness could be made show ring ready. Has no bridle \$150.00
- 3) Two Herm Sprenger Conrad mouth bits \$250.00 each

Contact Judy Sobczak at: jes41@cornell.edu

For Sale: 2 Wheel Cart ,being used by 14H Haflinger. Good condition \$1000 contact: Kim at kcd12@rocketmail.com for more information

For Sale:5" Glory bit. Measured inside the cheeks. It has fixed cheeks \$70. Cindy Torelli 315 469-3787 or catpersonal99@gmail.con





Karen Leach purchased 4 household scales to weigh her carriage and they are now available for anyone who would like to use them to get a weight on their vehicle. Call 315-292-4784 or kleach@hamilton.edu

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Sue and Jack Voss are dispersing their lifetime collection of antique carriages, harnesses, carriage accessories and appointments, horse décor, and antique automobiles.

Sue and Jack would like to offer the first sale of these items to the members of CVCA. Below is a partial list of items for sale. Looking for something specific? Sue and Jack probably have it! Just ask! Contact Sue by TEXT or EMAIL at: 315-436-8813 or jvossl@twcny.rr.com

Items are in a climate-controlled storage facility between Manlius, NY & Cazenovia, NY.



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